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THIRTY-THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Twenty-ninth Regular Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Sunday, June 1, 2003

The Committee was called to order at 3:20 P.M. by Chairman Alario.

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Motion

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the Committee took under consideration House Bill No. 1 at this time.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC
AN ACT

Making appropriations for the ordinary expenses of the executive branch of state government, pensions, public schools, public roads, public charities, and state institutions and providing with respect to the expenditure of said appropriations.

Read by title.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, House Rule 6.25 was suspended insofar as requiring the Committee, in considering House Bill No. 1, to proceed *seriatim*.

Rep. Arnold sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Arnold in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 12, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated herein to the Administrative Program for the Office of Urban Affairs and Development, the amount which has been allocated for grants in accordance with the guidelines established by the office shall be distributed only to those legislative districts in which the total minority population of the district exceeds 50.1% of the total district population as determined by the 2000 Federal Census and further shall be distributed one-half proportionately to the respective senate districts and one-half proportionately to the respective house districts."

Rep. Arnold moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 33 yeas and 59 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated herein to the Administrative Program for the Office of Urban Affairs and Development, the amount which has been allocated for grants in accordance with the guidelines established by the office shall be distributed only to those legislative districts which fall within a city with a population of 20,000 or more as determined by the 2000 Federal Census. The amount available for allocation to each city shall be determined by dividing the city population by the total of all city populations with a population in excess of 20,000 and then by multiplying such ratio by the total appropriation. The amount available for allocation to each house legislative district shall be determined by dividing the population of the district within the city by the city population and then multiplying such ratio by the fifty percent of the city allocation. The amount available for allocation to each senate legislative district shall be determined by dividing the population of the district within the city by the city population and then by multiplying such ratio by the fifty percent of the city allocation."

Rep. Arnold moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 35 yeas and 59 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Crowe sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Crowe in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 12, after line 45, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the commissioner of administration shall reduce appropriations for the Executive Office from the State General Fund (Direct) and from the Rural Development Fund so that no funding is provided for the Office of Urban Affairs and Development and the Office of Rural Development. Such monies shall be transferred to Schedule 09-306, Department of Health and Hospitals, Medical Vendor Payments Program, to be used for support of the state Medicaid program."

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Rep. Crowe moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 27 yeas and 74 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Motion

Rep LeBlanc moved the adoption of Schedule 07 of House Bill No. 1.

Rep. Romero objected.

By a vote of 96 yeas and 1 nay, Schedule 07 was adopted.

Rep. Beard sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Beard and Capella in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 104, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

"EXPENDITURES:

Payments to Public Providers for implementing a residential treatment option pilot program for providing mental health services to adolescents to begin no later than December 1, 2003

\$ 2,822,423

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 2,822,423

MEANS OF FINANCE:

State General Fund (Direct) \$ 720,000
Federal Funds \$ 2,100,423

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 2,822,423"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 108, between lines 48 and 49, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated herein to the Personal Health Services Program out of the State General Fund (Direct), the commissioner of administration shall reduce the State General Fund (Direct) allocated for HIV prevention services for condom distribution by \$720,000."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 109, after line 51, insert the following:

"Payable out of State General Fund by Interagency Transfers to the Community Mental Health Program for a residential treatment option pilot program for adolescents to begin no later than December 1, 2003

\$ 2,822,432"

Rep. Beard moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 48 yeas and 49 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Triche sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Triche in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 114, after line 51, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the number of staffed beds at the Metropolitan Developmental Center shall be no less than the number of such staffed beds in the previous fiscal year."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 116, between lines 31 and 32, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the number of staffed beds at the Northwest Developmental Center shall be no less than the number of such staffed beds in the previous fiscal year."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 118, between lines 31 and 32, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the number of staffed beds at the Ruston Developmental Center shall be no less than the number of such staffed beds in the previous fiscal year."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 119, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the number of staffed beds at the Southwest Developmental Center shall be no less than the number of such staffed beds in the previous fiscal year."

On motion of Rep. Triche, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Futrell sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representatives Futrell, Beard, Capella, and Scalise in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 105, between lines 28 and 29, insert:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to encourage and promote the use of prescription drug company discounts by senior citizens in Louisiana

\$ 720,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 108, between lines 48 and 49, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated herein to the Personal Health Services Program out of the State General Fund (Direct), the commissioner of administration shall reduce the State General Fund (Direct) allocated for HIV prevention services for condom distribution by \$720,000."

Rep. Futrell moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Lydia Jackson objected.

By a vote of 69 yeas and 29 nays, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Perkins sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Perkins in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 130, after line 53, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct)
for promotion of public awareness of opportunities
for safe haven relinquishments of infants \$ 500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 253, line 35, change "2,000,000" to "1,500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 253, line 37, change "2,000,000" to "1,500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 253, line 39, change "2,000,000" to "1,500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 253, line 40, change "2,000,000" to "1,500,000"

Rep. Perkins moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 21 yeas and 63 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Pierre sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Pierre in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 194, delete lines 21 through 25 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 194, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the commissioner of administration shall reduce the appropriation contained herein for the Louisiana Technical College out of the State General Fund (Direct) by \$740,000, and such reduction shall be allocated proportionally among the administrative budgets of the eight assistant chancellors of the Louisiana Technical College and such assistant chancellor positions shall be eliminated."

On motion of Rep. Pierre, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Tucker sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Tucker in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 252, between lines 23 and 24, insert the following:

"Payable out of State General Fund (Direct)
to the city of New Orleans for the Orleans
Parish Federal City Project \$ 500,000"

On motion of Rep. Tucker, the amendments were withdrawn.

Rep. Perkins sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Perkins in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 253, between lines 40 and 41, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct)
for promotion of public awareness of opportunities
for safe haven relinquishments of infants \$ 500,000"

Rep. Perkins moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 35 yeas and 65 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Katz sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Katz in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 253, between lines 30 and 31, insert:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct)
for a Clean Lab for economic development purposes
for the Pharmacy Program at the University of
Louisiana-Monroe \$ 350,000"

Rep. Katz moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

By a vote of 24 yeas and 78 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Motion

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the Committee of the Whole House agreed to rise and report.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House